

Expectations of the TAC:

Coordination

State guidance re: on-going planning

Fairly allocate water resources for state

Holistic view – natural resources and human uses

Review/inventory of existing plans

Overall planning

Come up with feasible, economical, doable plan

Long-term planning for drinking water supply

Ensure adequate supply and access to safe drinking water

Protection and preservation of water resources

Bring to fruition years of planning

Learning/better understanding and advocacy for water planning

Step forward for everyone's view

More cohesive program at state level to include advocacy for local/regional projects

State framework to help local/regional plans

Develop principles and criteria for future water supply planning

Get everyone together

Uniform policy, more than supply

Data/information for development and implementation

Goal to leave politics out of it and let people in local/regional efforts take care of their own

Framework – stable, predictable, safe – for long-range planning, especially municipal water supplies

Understanding the mission

Framework for comprehensive water supply planning – certainty of process that protects the needs of citizens and resources

Have regional interests heard

In-stream and off-stream uses considered

Water resources more broadly

State's role in protecting the resource

Living resources

Balance with all users of groundwater

Reasonable access for users

Fair allocation-type policy

Insight into successful regional approaches

Products:

(1) Preliminary water resources plan (largely handled by DEQ staff)

- Compiling current local and regional plans
- Looking at current state monitoring
- Looking at current state procedures

- Where are we now?
- What are the holes?
- Where do we need to be?

Role of the TAC: identify issues/receive and provide input

(2) Draft regulations

- Framework
- Components of plans
- Central focus
 - Policy issues first
 - Draft regs deal with:
 - State-local roles
 - Necessary elements of comprehensive plans
 - Evaluation criteria re: protection of resources in the plans

Comments re: consensus:

Carrying forward the SPIRIT of consensus

Good faith participation

Representative issues

Commitment to the TAC by the TAC:

“We can agree that if we say we will live with it, we will work toward its adoption and not undermine it.”